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1. PARA 7 OF REFTEL STATES THAT ONLY MENTION OF US IN GOVERNMENT OF PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BENIN NATIONAL COMMISSION OF INQUIRY REPORT ON JANUARY 16 COUP ATTEMPT WAS CHARGE THAT EMILE DERLIN ZINZOU, FORMER PRESIDENT

OF DAHOMEY (NOW BENIN), ACCUSED OF TAKING PART IN COUP PLANNING, WAS RECRUITED BY CIA IN 1954.

2. IT IS DEPARTMENT POLICY THAT POSTS SHOULD RESPOND TO ANY QUESTIONS ON THE ABOVE BY STATING THAT USG DOES NOT REPEAT NOT COMMENT ON SUCH ALLEGATIONS. VANCE

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